

BULGARIA AGREES TO STAY NEUTRAL, BERLIN REPORTS

Announcement of New Treaty Signed With Turkey, After Getting Concessions.

SERBS YIELD TO ITALY.

Roumania Inflamed Over Germany's Demand to Take Munitions Through Country.

BERLIN (via wireless to Hayville), Aug. 23.—Official circles here to-day claimed receipt of positive information from Sofia and Constantinople that Bulgaria and Turkey have signed an agreement assuring Bulgaria's neutrality.

Official statements given out in both Sofia and Constantinople, it was stated, prove the definite failure of the allies' attempt to bring Bulgaria into the war. Turkey has granted Bulgaria the direct railway connection to the sea desired by the Sofia Government.

MILAN, Italy (via Paris), Aug. 23.—One of the main difficulties in the way of a solution of the Balkan problems favorable to the entente allies has been settled, according to an interview with Premier Pachitch of Serbia in the Corriere della Sera. The Premier is quoted as saying that Serbia has given way to Italy regarding Albania.

LONDON, Aug. 23.—The Balkan situation reached the acute stage to-day. Serbia was expected to make a decision, possibly before night, whether or not she would cede Macedonia to Bulgaria. M. Venizelos was to be sworn in at Athens as the new Greek Premier, and it was believed he would make a definite statement of the course Greece intends to pursue.

No hint has come from Nish as to the course of the Serbian Government. Serbian diplomats here characterized the Bulgarian demands as exorbitant, but important influences are known to have been at work at the Serb capital during the past week. It is believed possible, however, that Italy's declaration of war against Turkey may delay Serbia's answer.

Bulgaria has made no fresh move to indicate whether she intends to join the allies. Her military preparations are almost complete and she is awaiting Serbia's answer. From various sources the news has reached London that neither Turkey nor her Austro-German allies are quite so confident of keeping Bulgaria neutral as they were a fortnight ago, though Italian reports that the Bulgars were massing troops on the Turkish frontier have received little credence here. Until Serbia and Bulgaria make their decisions no change is expected at Athens or Bucharest. Diplomatic circles here express the conviction that the new Greek Cabinet will favor maintenance of Greece's neutrality until new developments in the Balkan situation make it appear certain Greece will gain by entering the war.

Despatches from sources not always reliable reported to-day that Roumania had been seized by the war fever. Italy's war declaration against Turkey was said to have aroused wild enthusiasm at Bucharest. Rumors that Germany had threatened force unless Roumania permitted the passage of ammunition to Turkey were also said to have fanned the war flame in the Roumanian capital.

That the Turkish munitions situation is becoming more serious from the Turkish standpoint, particularly since the allies have landed more troops at the Dardanelles, is believed here and it is thought possible that the Austro-Germans are attempting to coerce Roumania. But diplomats here take no stock in reports that Roumania's alleged friendliness for Italy will cause Roumania to join in the war on Turkey. They pointed out that Roumania failed to enter the war when Italy declared against Austria, though it was generally believed at the time that the two powers were in a pact to begin hostilities (the side of the allies at the same moment).

Alleged Bandit Is Arrested. Joseph Guigino of No. 98 Pitt street, long known to the police as a gang leader, in Jefferson Market Court to-day was given into the custody of the White Plains police to answer to the charge of assaulting and robbing William Hobbs, a brewer of that city, of \$3,800 last April. Mr. Hobbs identified Guigino as the leader of a gang of four who attacked him in his office. One of the four was Harry Bernstein, a New York policeman, who was dismissed by Commissioner Waldo. He was caught and imprisoned, implicating Guigino.

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By Pauline Furlong.

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After we have finished with the tests I shall introduce you to a new feature of the course. I have worked it out as a surprise for you, and I shall give you full details within a few days. Watch this column for an important announcement.

There are so many women in New York who are too stout for health, grace or beauty. A superfluity of rich food, combined with a lack of physical activity, makes the flesh accumulate, despite the acidities of dress-makers and the lamentations of the women themselves. And yet it is comparatively easy to reduce—if a woman goes to work in the right way.

Just by way of proving this statement I am sure you will permit me to quote from a few more letters which I have received from the students in my course.

Dear Miss Furlong: I am five feet two inches in height. When I started your exercises and diet I weighed 156 pounds. To-day I weigh 145 pounds. I was 31 inches waist, 40 inches bust and 42 inches hip measure. To-day I am 26 inches waist, 37 inches bust and 40 inches hip measure. I appreciate your advice.

MRS. M. G.
Dear Miss Furlong: I have lost twelve pounds following your diet and exercises and am four inches smaller around the bust.

MRS. M. K. R.
Dear Miss Furlong: I have followed with great interest the articles written by you in The Evening World. Before I began following your instructions I weighed 195 pounds. Now I weigh 160 pounds. I want to continue under your wonderful supervision, for I know I should be quite lost without your aid.

MRS. R. Z. K.
Dear Miss Furlong: I am five feet three inches tall and weighed 195 pounds when I started taking your course in exercise and diet. I weigh 173 pounds now, and expect to keep on until I am of normal weight.

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TEST FOR THE BODY-BENDING EXERCISE.
The test exercise which we shall consider to-day is one of the most difficult in the entire series. It is body bending, and is always recommended by the experts as the best exercise to perform it takes the correct standing position, knees straight, abdomen in, chest and head up, shoulders under your wonderful supervision, for I know I should be quite lost without your aid.

In the beginning you may not be able even to touch the floor with the tips of your fingers, but keep on trying. Gradually your suppleness will increase, until you should have no difficulty in assuming the position shown in the illustration, with the palms of your hands on the floor, without bending your knees. Many persons cannot do this who can touch the floor with their finger tips. The ligaments of your legs must be in absolutely perfect condition to enable you to perform body bending correctly and without an ache in the back of the shins next day. It is a fine exercise for getting rid of rheumatism.

Readers of Miss Furlong's articles who are following her lessons are invited to write to her, in care of The Evening World, requesting information that will aid them in following her rules for diet and exercise. Miss Furlong also will be interested to learn the results of her lessons as shown by your charts.

Letters From Evening World Readers Following Miss Furlong's Lessons.

MRS. MARTIN G. asks: "Which exercise do you recommend for reducing the hips and thighs?"
Rolling and leg circling (lying down).

LUCILLE O. asks: "How much money must I send you for the first two weeks of your articles on health?"
We are all out of the back numbers up to July 15.

ARTHUR K. writes: "Do you think onions a good cure for insomnia?"
Onions are a good medicine. They contain a powerful sulphur oil and promote digestion, induce sleep, relieve rheumatism pains and are a splendid remedy for coughs and colds. Try the tea raising at least fifty times before going to bed. This will make you sleep better.

FROWNS AND FRECKLES.

Mrs. W. H. T. asks: Please tell me how to remove lines running vertically between the eyes. Also, what will remove freckles?
Massage the lines with the tips of the fingers, in long oval strokes, the fingers passing each other. Place stripes of muslin, dipped in the white of an egg over the lines, contrary to them. First hold the lines opened and stretched apart with the finger tips. Leave on over night. These are also recommended for fine lines around the eyes and mouth. Cucumber juice will bleach out the light freckles. Cut up the cucumber, skin and all, and sim-

mer in a little water until soft and mushy. Remove from the fire and strain through gauze. Add to this an equal quantity of pure alcohol. This preserves the mixture. It is also good for tan and collar marks on the neck.

Mrs. C. writes: "I am troubled with a bad breath. Can you tell me of a sweet-scented tablet that will correct this?"
This condition is caused by many different things. If it is the result of catarrh you should consult a physician. No tablets will correct this. Bad breath is often the result of constipation, indigestion or bad teeth. It will be necessary for you to determine the cause as this is the only means of overcoming it.

DOROTHY M. writes: "I am a girl of fifteen and am five feet five inches tall and weigh only 120 pounds. What should I weigh and will any of your exercises and diet help me?"
As you are young you will probably broaden out in a few years. One hundred and thirty-two pounds is the weight for your height. The exercises for developing the body include the diet for gaining weight. Send me 10 cents and repeat your questions and I will mail them to you.

GLADYS L. writes: "Why is it I cannot get one leg up perfectly straight when I sit on the floor?"
This is a very advanced and arduous exercise and will come to you gradually. Only with much practice will you master it. Yes, raising both legs is easy.

"HARRY CASTLEMAN" DEAD IN 730 YEAR

Charles Austin Fosdick Wrote Books That Thrilled the Boys of All Ages.

Men who have been boys at any time in the last fifty years were gripped to-day by the news from Hamburg, N. Y., of the death of Charles Austin Fosdick, who under the name of Harry Castleman was the author of the "Frank" series of stories for boys. "Frank Before Vicksburg," "Frank on the Lower Mississippi," "Frank in the Mountains," are all names which bring back memories and thrills of days gone by.

Mr. Fosdick was born at Randolph, N. Y., in 1842. He shipped as a landsman with the Mississippi Squadron at the beginning of the Civil War. He became receiver and superintendent of coal supply for the squadron. Much of his writing was based on that four years' experience.

Among his books were: "Frank on a Gunboat," "Frank in the Woods," "Frank on the Prairie," "The Sportsman's Club," "The Boy Trapper," "George in the Camp," "George on the Wheel," "George in the Fort," "Rodney the Overseer," "Marry, the Blockade Runner," "The Mystery of Lost River Canon," "The Houseboat Boys," "Rebels and Soldiers," "Soldier in Spite of Himself" and "Carl, the Trailer."

GIRL'S 15-FOOT DIVE MAY COST HER LIFE

Miss Smith Is Paralyzed After Plunge Into Shallow Water at Coney Island.

Miss Anna Smith, the twenty-year-old stenographer who was injured yesterday when she dived from Farroll's bathing pavilion at Coney Island, is in a precarious condition in the Coney Island Hospital. The lower part of her body is paralyzed.

Miss Smith, who lives at No. 850 Seventh Avenue, Manhattan, was with a party of friends yesterday at the island. She is an expert diver. Her friends watched her as she dived from the porch of the bathing pavilion, and when she failed to appear two lifeguards found her unconscious at the bottom. The girl dived fifteen feet without realizing how shallow the water was and struck on her head.

FIRE NEAR 300 IN HOSPITAL.

Three hundred patients in St. Catherine's Hospital were terrified last evening by the spectacular destruction by fire of the coopers' plant and warehouse belonging to Morris Solomon at 187 Mott Avenue, near Stagg Street. The fire broke out in the hospital was prevented by drawing down the shades. The coopers' plant stood alone in a lot. The watchman, Frank Cody, No. 186 Knickerbocker Avenue, in attempting to save the office papers was injured upon the head and was taken to St. Catherine's Hospital. The loss is estimated at \$15,000. The cause is unknown. The police are making an investigation.



10-YEAR-OLD GIRL IS A FIRE HEROINE

Boy Follows Her Down Escape to Fight Blaze in Her Mother's Home.

Mollie Willner is a heroine. Mollie is only ten and doesn't know what a heroine is. She lives on the second floor of a four-story tenement at No. 31 Willett Street. Her mother, Rose, has a pushcart and when she goes out in the morning she locks the door.

Mollie, with Eddie Kannek, eight years old, was playing in the yard to-day when she saw smoke coming out of her kitchen window. She knew that the door was locked, so she and Eddie ran to the roof. The kiddie climbed down the fire escape with Eddie following, till she reached the second floor. In through the kitchen window, into the midst of the black smoke they went. While Mollie tried to pull a burning mattress from the bed in her mother's room, Eddie ran for his father, who lives on the same floor in front.

WOODS DESERTS CAMP TO RUN THE POLICE

Commissioner Hopes to Return to Take Part in Hike If Business Will Permit.

Sergt. Arthur Woods, Co. D, Provisional Regiment for Instruction, Plattsburgh Barracks, returned to this city to-day to become Police Commissioner. It was easier to shed his soldier clothes than to shed the tan and the cadence on his hands. There are fifty-five policemen to be appointed and a number of transfers which must be made by the Commissioner himself. A mass of routine work has also accumulated for him.

"If I possibly can," said the commissioner, "I want to go back to Plattsburgh this week when the big hike starts. It is all hard work, but every man there shows physical improvement from it. We can never have a standing army, but by camps such as this, extending over three months of the college vacations, we can gradually build up an effective reserve defense to be filled out later by military training in the schools. We must be ready to throw an army of 10,000 men into the field within a few weeks after they are called out for defense. We must have arms and ammunition on hand ready for them."

FIRE ISLAND FERRY BOAT IS DESTROYED BY BLAZE

The L. R. Bransford Burns, but All Her Passengers and Crew Are Saved.

FIRE ISLAND, N. Y., Aug. 23.—The motor ferryboat L. R. Bransford, which for several years has carried passengers, provisions and ice from Patchogue to the small summer resorts on Fire Island beach, namely, Cherry Grove, Ocean Beach, Saltate and Fire Island, caught fire to-day while lying at Saltate dock. Passengers and crew got off safely. The boat was cast out of the dock by the crew of the Fire Island Coast Guard Station and later grounded on a shoal opposite Saltate, where she burned to the water's edge.

WILL AID IN PROBE OF CONSPIRACY CHARGE

Pastor's Bail Reduced to \$10 and He Becomes a State's Witness.

A decrease in bail from \$10,000 to \$10 was obtained to-day for David Pastor in the Centre Street Police Court through the statement of Assistant District Attorney Van Rensselaer to Magistrate Corrigan that Pastor would be used as a valuable State witness before the Grand Jury in an attempt to prove the existence in this city of a conspiracy in restraint of trade.

The Grand Jury has been investigating to determine whether the Textile Union Finishers' Association was acting with members of the Cloth Examiners' and Spungers' Union in a conspiracy. Pastor is a member of the spungers' organization. It is charged that the association, made up of thirty-six large firms which handle tailors' clothes, entered into an agreement with the examiners' and spungers' organization for the exclusive right to use the union label.

FINDS HER BOY AFTER FOUR YEARS' SEARCH

Mother Recovers Eight-Year-Old Son Through Arrest of Man Who Had Lad in Custody.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Aug. 23.—A four-year search through the United States and Canada for her eight-year-old son was ended here to-day by Mrs. Julia Delo of Quebec, Can., who identified the boy held by authorities here since the arrest of Charles P. Cortell on March 5 as her son. Cortell had been arrested on a charge of assault. He had been traveling around the country with the boy, both told conflicting stories and were ordered held. Cortell, officials said, probably will be charged with abduction. The boy recognized his mother immediately, though he was only four years old when he disappeared from home.

GARRANZA IN BATTLE WITH ALLIED FORCES

Villa, Madero and Hernandez Join Against First Chief—Both Sides Claim Victory.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Consular despatches from Piedras Negras to-day report a battle at Icamole, near Monterey, between Carranza troops and the combined forces of Villa, Hernandez and Raul Madero. Both sides, the report states, claim victory. The railroad between Piedras Negras, Saltillo and Torreon is reported open.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 23.—Arrivals from Northern Mexico to-day declared Gen. Villa is mobilizing his forces at Torreon, preparatory to a guerrilla warfare against Gen. Carranza. Sixty pieces of artillery have been packed at Santa Clara and Santa Rosalia, many miles to the north of Torreon, as a reserve. Gen. Villa is said to have 20,000 men, including the expeditionary force arrived recently from the south. It is said Gen. Felipe Angeles, now in Southern Sonora, is endeavoring to induce Southern Yaquis to attack Gen. P. L. Galles, Carranza commander, in that State, with a view to relieving pressure against Gov. Maytorena at Nogales.

THOUSANDS CAUGHT IN STORM'S SWEEP; 12 DIE, 100 MISSING

Missouri's Third Flood in Three Days Adds to Death Toll and Heavy Property Loss.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 23.—St. Louis County was recovering to-day from the third flood which has descended upon this community in as many days—a flood that cost twelve lives, destroyed more than a million dollars' worth of property and made 3,500 families homeless. Twelve deaths have been reported to the Coroner and almost one hundred persons are listed as missing. Late to-day some of the missing were accounted for. Rivermen fear the falling of the Meramec River to-day may dislodge a heavy toll in human lives. They also said the bodies of many of the drowned probably would be washed into the Mississippi River and carried downstream and might not be recovered soon because of the mass of flood debris now in the river and of its unusually strong current.

Equally distressing conditions prevail throughout Southeastern Missouri and parts of Western Illinois. The toll, less severe in the number of lives lost, is far greater in damage to property and crops. Railroad, telephone and telegraph facilities in many counties are nil, the physical damage may aggregate \$5,000,000, and thousands of farmers and villagers are homeless.

The flood was due to the Texas coast storm, which last Friday swept through Arkansas into Missouri and across the Mississippi to Illinois. St. Louis had hardly recovered from the effects of the storm on Saturday, when the Des Peres River went a mile out of its banks, drowning eleven persons. Before the Des Peres had fallen to its normal level, the Meramec River, ten to fifteen miles west of this city, went two to four miles out of its banks.

The Meramec rose during the night while thousands of campers and picnickers slept in the club houses and summer cottages which dot the river's banks. From 2 o'clock yesterday morning until last midnight the river rose a foot an hour. The flood waters of swollen Ozark Mountain streams whirled into the Meramec, tearing farm houses, club houses, bridges and barges from their moorings.

Men, women and children caught in the whirl of debris, clung to their house tops for safety. Calls for help were sent to St. Louis and hundreds of rescuers, with motor boats and other craft, were on the scene at daylight. Scores had abandoned their homes and were in the trees, desecrated and soaked to the skin.

Valley Park, Drake, Eureka, Detoken, Clinton, Pacific and every other town on either side of the Meramec for a distance of more than fifty miles were inundated. Almost the entire population of Valley Park—2,500 families—were driven from their homes.

Six deaths have been caused by floods elsewhere in Arkansas, it was reported here, five at Oil Trough Bottom and one that of C. S. Jordan, a ferryman at Heber Springs. The situation is the most serious in many years.

FLEES WITH CLOTHES AFIRE.

Worker Terrified Burned When Gasoline Tank Explodes.

The heat of a soldering-iron with which Robert Cortese was working in his shop at No. 169 West Eighteenth street this afternoon was communicated to the twenty-gallon copper gasoline tank he was repairing and a small residue of gasoline in the tank exploded. The fragments of flying metal struck Louis Bartoli, No. 252 West Fourth Street, who was working on the tank, burning the flesh on his arms and chest and setting his overalls afire. Bartoli ran up Seventh Avenue some distance before collapsing. A passerby put out the flames and the sufferer was rushed to New York Hospital. His arms were burned to the bone.

FLEE HERE FROM TURKS.

American Women and Children Safe, But Men Are Held.

The Italian liner Duca degli Abruzzi arrived to-day from Naples with thirty-five cabin passengers, seventy-three in the second cabin and 150 in the steerage.

In the steerage were eighty-three Armenian women and children who were forced to flee from Beirut, Syria, and their men were detained by the Turks. They were taken in charge by the American Society of Missionaries which will care for them. One woman, entirely destitute, had nine children.

Old Time Pilot Falls Dead. Capt. Henry Peterson, sixty, a New York and Sandy Hook pilot, dropped dead to-day at Front Street and Maiden Lane. Capt. Peterson lived at No. 1194 42nd Street, Brooklyn. He is survived by a wife and three children.

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CASHIER REPAYS BANK SHORTAGE; NO PROSECUTION

Yonkers Institution Says \$10,000 Loss Has Been Made Good.

Charles F. Marsden, who had been cashier of the Yonkers Savings Bank for nine years, and who is no longer with the bank since a shortage of nearly \$10,000 was discovered in his accounts, appears to have made good the shortage and to have escaped prosecution. The trustees of the bank issued a statement to-day saying that the liability company which was on Marsden's bond had made good the shortage. It was stated to-day at the office of the American Surety Company, the organization in question, that Marsden had made good the money himself and that neither the bank nor the bonding company was out any money.

Marsden, who had borne an excellent reputation and was a member of the Palisades Yacht Club, took his wife and two sons on a vacation recently and while he was away a patron of the bank came in to make a payment on a mortgage. It was found that a previous payment on the mortgage had not been properly credited and the State Banking Department was notified. An examination is said to have revealed systematic manipulations of the same nature and Marsden was sent for. He returned and is understood to have confessed.

Bank officials are unable to give any reason why their former cashier should have been short in his accounts. Marsden is still in Yonkers, though not to be found at his home, 240 Madison place at No. 204 Hawthorne Avenue. The statement of the trustees says: "The irregularities which have been the subject of investigation amounted to less than \$10,000, which amount has been made good by the liability company, and the bank has incurred no loss, remaining as in the past one of the strongest in the State as well as the largest in the country, with a surplus of over \$100,000."

RAT POISON KILLS A CHILD.

Two-Year-Old Girl Victim of Package Left by Agent.

Mary Hyne, two years old, died in convulsions yesterday as a result of taking rat poison scattered about by a professional exterminator of vermin in her home, No. 250 West One Hundred and Thirtieth Street.

The child was taken ill shortly afterward. Dr. Thomas F. Kelly, the family physician, attended the child and she seemed to be on the way to recovery.

Whitman to Save Him From the Death Chair.

ALBANY, Aug. 23.—The death sentence of Louis M. Roach for the killing of John Barrett of Palmyra Bridge will be commuted to life imprisonment on Friday by Gov. Whitman. It was said on good authority at the Capital today, after a petition signed by 11,000 persons, requested the Governor to take this action.



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